# Camera Calibration 

Multiple View Geometry Based on Marc Pollefeys' Slides

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## Camera calibration



## Resectioning

$$
\mathrm{X}_{i} \leftrightarrow \mathrm{x}_{i} \quad \mathrm{P} ?
$$



## Basic equations

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathbf{x}_{i}=\mathbf{P X}_{i} \\
& {\left[\mathbf{x}_{i}\right]_{\mathrm{x}} \mathrm{PX}} \\
& {\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
\mathbf{0}^{\top} & -w_{i} \mathbf{X}_{i}^{\top} & y_{i} \mathbf{X}_{i}^{\top} \\
w_{i} \mathbf{X}_{i}^{\top} & \mathbf{0}^{\top} & -x_{i} \mathbf{X}_{i}^{\top} \\
-y_{i} \mathbf{X}_{i}^{\top} & x_{i} \mathbf{X}_{i}^{\top} & \mathbf{0}^{\top}
\end{array}\right]\left(\begin{array}{l}
\mathbf{P}^{1} \\
\mathbf{P}^{2} \\
\mathbf{P}^{3}
\end{array}\right)=\mathbf{0}} \\
& {\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
\mathbf{0}^{\top} & -w_{i} \mathbf{X}_{i}^{\top} & y_{i} \mathbf{X}_{i}^{\top} \\
w_{i} \mathbf{X}_{i}^{\top} & \mathbf{0}^{\top} & -x_{i} \mathbf{X}_{i}^{\top}
\end{array}\right]\left(\begin{array}{l}
\mathbf{P}^{1} \\
\mathbf{P}^{2} \\
\mathbf{P}^{3}
\end{array}\right)=\mathbf{0}} \\
& \mathrm{Ap}=0
\end{aligned}
$$

## Basic equations

$$
\mathrm{Ap}=0
$$

## minimal solution

$P$ has 11 dof, 2 independent eq./points
$\Rightarrow 51 / 2$ correspondences needed (say 6)

## Over-determined solution

$n \geq 6$ points
minimize $\|A p\|$ subject to constraint

$$
\|p\|=1
$$

$\left\|\hat{p}^{3}\right\|=1$


## Degenerate configurations

More complicate than 2D case (see Ch.21)
(i) Camera and points on a twisted cubic

(ii) Points lie on plane or single line passing through projection center


## Data normalization

## Less obvious

(i) Simple, as before [compact limitation]

(ii) Anisotropic scaling

## Line correspondences

## Extend DLT to lines

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\Pi=\mathrm{P}^{\mathrm{T}} 1_{i} & \text { (back-project line) } \\
1_{i}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathrm{PX}_{1 i} & 1_{i}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathrm{PX}_{2 i} \quad(2 \text { independent eq.) }
\end{array}
$$



## Geometric error



## Gold Standard algorithm

## Objective

Given $n \geq 6$ 3D to 2D point correspondences $\left\{X_{i} \leftrightarrow x_{i}\right\}$, determine the Maximum Likelihood Estimation of $P$
Algorithm
(i) Linear solution:
(a) Normalization: $\tilde{\mathrm{X}}_{i}=\mathrm{UX}_{i} \quad \tilde{\mathrm{x}}_{i}=\mathrm{Tx}_{i}$
(b) DLT:
(ii) Minimization of geometric error: using the linear estimate as a starting point minimize the geometric error:

$$
\min _{\mathrm{P}} \sum_{i} d\left(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}, \tilde{\mathrm{P}} \tilde{\mathbf{X}}_{i}\right)^{2}
$$

(iii) Denormalization: $\mathrm{P}=\mathrm{T}^{-1} \mathrm{P} \mathrm{U}$

## Calibration example

(i) Canny edge detection
(ii) Straight line fitting to the detected edges
(iii) Intersecting the lines to obtain the images corners
typically precision <1/10
( HZ rule of thumb: $5 n$ constraints for $n$ unknowns


|  | $f_{y}$ | $f_{x} / f_{y}$ | skew | $x_{0}$ | $y_{0}$ | residual |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| linear | 1673.3 | 1.0063 | 1.39 | 379.96 | 305.78 | 0.365 |
| iterative | 1675.5 | 1.0063 | 1.43 | 379.79 | 305.25 | 0.364 |

## Errors in the world

$$
\sum_{i} d\left(\mathbf{X}_{i}, \widehat{\mathbf{X}}_{i}\right)^{2} \quad \mathrm{x}_{i}=\mathrm{P} \hat{\mathrm{X}}_{i}
$$

Errors in the image and in the world

$$
\sum_{i=1}^{n} d_{\operatorname{Mah}}\left(\mathbf{x}_{i}, \mathrm{P} \widehat{\mathbf{X}}_{i}\right)^{2}+d_{\operatorname{Mah}}\left(\mathbf{X}_{i}, \widehat{\mathbf{X}}_{i}\right)^{2}
$$

$$
\hat{\mathrm{X}}_{i}
$$

## Geometric interpretation of algebraic error

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{i}\left(\hat{w}_{i} d\left(\mathrm{x}_{i}, \hat{\mathrm{x}}_{i}\right)\right)^{2} \\
& \hat{w}_{i}\left(\hat{x}_{i}, \hat{y}_{i}, 1\right)=\mathrm{PX}_{i} \quad \hat{w}_{i}= \pm\left\|\hat{\mathrm{p}}^{3}\right\| \operatorname{depth}(\mathrm{X} ; \mathrm{P})
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\text { therefore, if }\left\|\hat{\mathrm{p}}^{3}\right\|=1 \text { then }
$$

$$
\hat{w}_{i} d\left(\mathrm{x}_{i}, \hat{\mathrm{x}}_{i}\right) \sim f d\left(\mathrm{X}_{i}, \hat{\mathrm{X}}_{i}\right)
$$


note invariance to 2D and 3D similarities given proper normalization

## Estimation of affine camera

$$
\begin{gathered}
{\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
\mathbf{0}^{\top} & -w_{i} \mathbf{X}^{\top} & y_{i} \mathbf{X}_{i}^{\top} \\
w_{i} \mathbf{X}_{i}^{\top} & \mathbf{0}^{\top} & -x_{i} \mathbf{X}_{i}^{\top}
\end{array}\right]\left(\begin{array}{c}
\mathbf{P}^{1} \\
\mathbf{P}^{2} \\
\mathbf{P}^{3}
\end{array}\right)=\mathbf{0}} \\
{\left[\begin{array}{cc}
\mathbf{0}^{\top} & -\mathbf{X}_{i}^{\top} \\
\mathbf{X}_{i}^{\top} & \mathbf{0}^{\top}
\end{array}\right]\binom{\mathbf{P}^{1}}{\mathbf{P}^{2}}+\binom{y_{i}}{-x_{i}}=\mathbf{0}} \\
\|\mathbf{A} \mathbf{p}\|^{2}=\sum_{i}\left(x_{i}-\mathbf{P}^{1 \top} \mathbf{X}_{i}\right)^{2}+\left(y_{i}-\mathbf{P}^{2 \top} \mathbf{X}_{i}\right)^{2}=\sum_{i} d\left(\mathbf{x}_{i}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{i}\right)^{2}
\end{gathered}
$$

note that in this case algebraic error = geometric error

## Gold Standard algorithm

## Objective

Given $n \geq 4$ 3D to 2D point correspondences $\left\{X_{i} \leftrightarrow x_{i}\right\}$, determine the Maximum Likelihood Estimation of $P$ (remember $\mathrm{P}^{3 T}=(0,0,0,1)$ )
Algorithm
(i) Normalization: $\tilde{\mathrm{X}}_{i}=\mathrm{UX}_{i} \quad \tilde{\mathrm{x}}_{i}=\mathrm{Tx}_{i}$
(ii) For each correspondence

$$
\begin{gathered}
{\left[\begin{array}{cc}
\mathbf{0}^{\top} & -\mathbf{X}_{i}^{\top} \\
\mathbf{X}_{i}^{\top} & \mathbf{0}^{\top}
\end{array}\right]\binom{\mathbf{P}^{1}}{\mathbf{P}^{2}}+\binom{y_{i}}{-x_{i}}=\mathbf{0}} \\
\mathbf{A}_{8} \mathbf{p}_{8}=\mathbf{b}
\end{gathered}
$$

(iii) solution is

$$
\mathrm{p}_{8}=\mathrm{A}_{8}^{+} \mathrm{b}
$$

(iv) Denormalization: $\mathrm{P}=\mathrm{T}^{-1} \tilde{\mathrm{P}} \mathrm{U}$

## Radial distortion



Short(cheaper) and long focal length
radial distortion

linear image



radial distortion


linear image

$(\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}, 1)^{\top}=[\mathrm{I} \mid \mathbf{0}] \mathbf{X}_{\mathrm{cam}}$

$$
\binom{x_{d}}{y_{d}}=L(\tilde{r})\binom{\tilde{x}}{\tilde{y}}
$$

Correction of distortion

$$
\hat{x}=x_{c}+L(r)\left(x-x_{c}\right) \quad \hat{y}=y_{c}+L(r)\left(y-y_{c}\right)
$$

Choice of the distortion function and center

$$
\begin{aligned}
& r^{2}=\left(x-x_{c}\right)^{2}+\left(y-y_{c}\right)^{2} \\
& L(r)=1+k_{1} r+k_{2} r^{2}+k_{3} r^{3}+\ldots \\
& \left\{k_{1}, k_{2}, \ldots, x_{c}, y_{c}\right\}
\end{aligned}
$$

Computing the parameters of the distortion function
(i) Define a cost function for deviating from linear projections
(ii) Iteratively Minimize with additional unknowns
(iii) [Warping]?

## An example

|  | $f_{y}$ | $f_{x} / f_{y}$ | skew | $x_{0}$ | $y_{0}$ | residual |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| linear | 1580.5 | 1.0044 | 0.75 | 377.53 | 299.12 | 0.179 |
| iterative | 1580.7 | 1.0044 | 0.70 | 377.42 | 299.02 | 0.179 |
| algebraic | 1556.0 | 1.0000 | 0.00 | 372.42 | 291.86 | 0.381 |
| iterative | 1556.6 | 1.0000 | 0.00 | 372.41 | 291.86 | 0.380 |
| linear | 1673.3 | 1.0063 | 1.39 | 379.96 | 305.78 | 0.365 |
| iterative | 1675.5 | 1.0063 | 1.43 | 379.79 | 305.25 | 0.364 |
| algebraic | 1633.4 | 1.0000 | 0.00 | 371.21 | 293.63 | 0.601 |
| iterative | 1637.2 | 1.0000 | 0.00 | 371.32 | 293.69 | 0.601 |

Top: With radial distortion correction, bottom: Without radial distortion correction

